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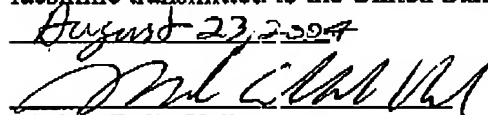
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| Filing Date          | 07/07/2003        |
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| 1003 530                   | 2003 265                   | Plant filing fee       |                  |
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| Total Claims       | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
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| 1202 18                    | 2202 9                     | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 1201 88                    | 2201 43                    | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 1203 290                   | 2203 145                   | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 1204 86                    | 2204 43                    | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 1205 18                    | 2205 9                     | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

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| 1052 50       | 2052 25       | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 1053 130      | 1053 130      | Non-English specification  |          |
| 1812 2,520    | 1812 2,520    | For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                            |          |
| 1804 920*     | 1804 920*     | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
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| 1251 110      | 2251 55       | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 1252 420      | 2252 210      | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 1253 950      | 2253 475      | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 1254 1,480    | 2254 740      | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 1255 2,010    | 2255 1,005    | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 1401 330      | 2401 165      | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 1402 330      | 2402 165      | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 1403 290      | 2403 145      | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 1451 1,510    | 1451 1,510    | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 1452 110      | 2452 55       | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 1453 1,330    | 2453 665      | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 1501 1,330    | 2501 665      | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 1502 480      | 2502 240      | Design issue fee   |          |
| 1503 840      | 2503 320      | Plant issue fee  |          |
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| 1807 50       | 1807 50       | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
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| 8021 40       | 8021 40       | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 1809 770      | 2809 385      | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))                |          |
| 1810 770      | 2810 385      | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))             |          |
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| 1802 800      | 1802 800      | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

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In re Patent Application of:

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Application No.: 10/614,321

Filed: JULY 7, 2003

For: LOW POWER  
DIFFERENTIAL AMPLIFIER  
POWERED BY MULTIPLE  
UNEQUAL POWER SUPPLY  
VOLTAGES

Group Art Unit: 2817

Examiner: S.J. MOTTOLLA

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In response to the above-identified Office Action regarding the above-identified patent application, the following amendment and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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